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ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A computer system according to a preferred embodiment of the invention may have either a local or a remote low-voltage power button. The arrangement is freely reconfigurable by the end user. A socket or plug is accessible from the exterior of the enclosure of a main unit. On the inside of the enclosure, the socket or plug is coupled to circuitry for sensing activity in a power button. The socket or plug is adapted to removably mate with a corresponding socket or plug on either a low-voltage power button or a low-voltage power button extender assembly. The low-voltage power button may comprise simply a switch integrated with a socket or plug. The low-voltage power button extender assembly may comprise a switch coupled to a socket or plug by means of a flexible cable.